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Environmentalism Winona LaDuke to Speak at Cal Poly Feb. 7

SAN LUIS OBISPO – On Thursday, Feb. 7, Cal Poly's Provocative Perspective series continues with internationally known speaker Winona LaDuke, who will discuss "'Seed Sovereignty and Food Security.'

The free event will take place in the Vista Grande Café at Cal Poly beginning with breakfast at 7:30 a.m. and followed by the lecture at 8 a.m.

LaDuke is an Anishinaabekwe (Ojibwe) member of the Mississippi Band Anishinaabeg. She lives and works on the White Earth Reservations. As Program Director of the Honor the Earth Fund, she works on a national level to advocate, raise public support, and create funding for frontline native environmental groups. She also works as founding director for White Earth Land Recovery Project.

In 1994, LaDuke was nominated by Time magazine as one of America's 50 most promising leaders under 40. She received the Thomas Merton Award in 1996, the BIHA Community Service Award in 1997, the Ann Bancroft Award for Women's Leadership Fellowship, and the Reebok Human Rights Award, with which she began the White Earth Land Recovery Project.

A graduate of Harvard and Antioch Universities, LaDuke has written extensively on Native American and environmental issues. Her first novel "Last Standing Woman" was published in 1997 by Voyager Press. In 1999, South End Press published "All Our Relations," a non-fiction book on Native environmental struggles.

She is a former board member of Greenpeace USA and serves as co-chair of the Indigenous Women's Network, a North American and Pacific indigenous women's organization. In 1998, Ms. Magazine named her Woman of the Year for her work with Honor the Earth.

Reservations are required for LaDuke's talk and can be made by calling 756-0327, or e-mailing Liz Cofer at lcofer@calpoly.edu.

Persons with disabilities may request accommodations in advance by contacting the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs at 756-1521.

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